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Auction 106 Freeze Announced for Certain FM Applications and Rulemaking Filings

The Media Bureau announces a freeze, effective immediately, on the following filings (collectively, Filings):

- Applications proposing to modify any of the vacant non-reserved band FM allotments scheduled for Auction 106 (Auction 106 Allotments);
- Petitions and counterproposals that propose a change in channel, class, community, or reference coordinates for any of the vacant non-reserved band FM allotments scheduled for Auction 106; and
- Applications, petitions and counterproposals that fail to fully protect any Auction 106 Allotment.

Auction 106 Allotments are listed in Attachment A of the *Auction 106 Comment Public Notice*.¹ All Filings submitted after the release of this Public Notice will be dismissed.² This freeze will automatically terminate the day after the filing deadline for post-Auction 106 long form applications. This temporary freeze is designed to promote a more certain and speedy auction process.

In Auction 106, the Office of Economics and Analytics and the Media Bureau will make available through competitive bidding procedures 130 vacant non-reserved band allotments in the FM broadcast service. FM minor change applications, which can now be filed on a first-come first-served basis, must protect the reference coordinates of each of these allotments.

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By: Chief, Media Bureau

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¹ *Auction of FM Broadcast Construction Permits Scheduled for April 28, 2019; Comment Sought on Competitive Bidding Procedures for Auction 106*, Public Notice, DA 19-1027 (OEA/MB rel. Oct. 10, 2019) (*Auction 106 Comment Public Notice*). Bidders are also cautioned that currently pending petitions for rulemaking and open rulemaking proceedings may affect the 130 FM allotments scheduled for Auction 106.

² 47 CFR § 1.401(e).